

CONVENTION OF AGENTS OF 175,000 RAILROAD EMPLOYEES

Decided to Call Upon National and International Railroad Unions to Sanction the Formation of District "Offensive and Defensive" Alliances—Delegates to the Convention Represented All Local Railroad Unions in the Greater New York District.

New York, April 3. (By The A. P.)—Representatives of 175,000 organized railroad employees in special convention here today called upon the executive committee to recognize national and international railroad unions and to support the formation of district "offensive and defensive" councils in each district. The district councils in the New York district met at other "strategic points in the railroad industry," including the Erie Railroad in Newark, Trenton and Hoboken, Jersey City, Paterson and so far west as Elston, Pa., all Long Island points, where the delegates affirmed their confidence in their international and national organizations and pledged to continue their warring efforts to secure and maintain the right for the railroad employees to work under a democratic government, and living that they are so justly entitled to.

These district organizations are necessary, it was stated in a letter sent to the railroad officials, to enable the railroad employees to "bring to the concentrated attacks of the railroad executive association" and "to bring about a closer affiliation of all railroad employees in all parts of the country." The organization in all crafts by stimulating interest in their own welfare and education.

To the best interest of all concerned added the communication, "that the present existing pact between the 16 organizations should be reaffirmed as continued indefinitely."

"It would be to the best interests of the organized railroad employees in this district," it was stated, "that they be permitted to form friendly railroad district council in order to bring about

Delegates to the convention, who represented all local railroad unions, reported that they had no real understanding, and that the mandates of the several national and international unions in the district were not clear. The speaker, with the offensive and defensive program at present in effect, declared that the formation of a new union was imperative at this time, and that the movement of concentrated opposition on the part of those who would divide the

This district is regarded by the union leaders as one of the largest and most strategic in the United States, as it not only takes in the workers in and about New York city and Brooklyn, but

<p>PLAN TO PROTECT AMERICAN WAR-BORN DYE INDUSTRY</p>	<p>COOLIDGE AND HOOVER PRAISE THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMB</p>
<p>Washington, April 2.—Defence of the nation's war-born dye industry against competition of the German dye and chemical trade will be the chief topic of discussion at the annual convention of the American Dye and Chemical Manufacturers Association, which opens here today.</p>	<p>Washington, April 2.—The Knights Columbus were congratulated by V. President Coolidge on their educative and benevolent work.</p>

the department of commerce in conference here with representatives of American manufacturers. Rapid revival of the German industry, especially as a factor in foreign trade, department officials said tonight, must be taken into account by American interests in order that the in-

Other American products needing the cooperation of the government in the field of foreign trade, according to Hoover, are "the sugar, cotton and wool of the department one at a time. Mr. Hoover is to meet with the war finance corporation and southern bankers tomorrow."

The credit angle in the trade relief program, officials said, is in the hands of the war finance corporation which is to make a study of American-owned corporations organized under the Edge act in different sections of the country. In addition, formation of combinations for extending foreign commerce under the

by Secretary Hoover as the most practical method of moving commodities after credit has been obtained and also as a defense against similar combinations by foreign exporters.

CRITICISM OF THE CARE

OF DISABLED SOLDIERS

New York, April 2.—Severe criticism of the government departments which have had to do with the care and compensation of disabled soldiers characterized a comprehensive report made public here today.

Eski-Shehr, says a communication issued by the Headquarters of Mustafa Kemal Pasha, the Turkish national leader.

A Turkish communique dated April 2 says that the battle on the Eski-Shehr front lasting nine days has been decided. Allied troops were repulsed and

The testimony reads, "said Colonel C. W. Wickensham, chairman of the committee, 'more like the record of some investigating committee, which for the past several weeks has been engaged in examining disabled soldiers and looking into government hospital conditions.

"The Greeks who declared there been a renewal of the fighting on Beki-Sheik front are reinforcements Turkish transports conveyed by shevik gunboats have landed part Kara-Bekir's army in Mesopotamia."

Greeks retreating, in the direction Bursa.

The committee urged immediate legislation to consolidate the bureau of war risk insurance, the rehabilitation division of the federal board for vocational training.

ing and that part of the United States health service which relates to the care of former service men and women.

**WILLIAM B. LEEDS IS
ENGAGED TO PRINCESS XENIA**

FRANCE LEADS ALL NATIONS

Paris, April 3.—William B. Leeson of Princess Anastasia of Greece, who arrived here a few days ago by airplane to visit his mother who is ill, has become engaged to Princess Xenia, the seventeen-year-old second daughter of Grand Duchess Marie and niece of King Constantine. It was learned today. The

The marriage will take place in June, probably in Athens, but the young couple plan to reside in America.

Young Leedin proposed the day after his arrival, it is understood, and was immediately accepted.

Princess Anastasia, who still is seriously ill, was upset by the news and immediately accepted.

The Paris-London daily service, which carried 652 passengers in March, will be the Paris-Brussels daily service which he said were to be augmented at the end of the month by flights from Paris to Amsterdam and Paris to Strasbourg via Prague.

It is also to be extended from Warsaw, Toulouse and Basel to London.

posed the unknown at first on account of her son's youth, but finally gave her consent.

Leeds, who is nineteen, is proceeding to London to obtain a new wardrobe and will return to Athens in a fortnight.

four-times-a-week schedule. A small fort is to be constructed at Stanthorpe, he said.

M. Eynae admitted that the first returns were not yet sufficient to the cost of operation but declared the question was not merely mercenary. He said he understood

HERGOLL KIDNAPPERS
JOIN AMERICAN FORCES

Paris, April 2.—(Carl Neuf and Franz Zimmer, the American detectives who were convicted at Moscow, on charges growing out of their action in attempting

counted upon to supply both materials and personnel for military aviation.

**GEN. SCOTT MENTIONED AS
AMBASSADOR TO RUSSIA**

Washington, April 2.—The name of Gen. Scott was mentioned today as a possible candidate for the post of ambassador to Russia.

American draft evader, have joined the American forces at Coblenz, according to a Havana dispatch received here from Caricuche. It is understood that the American government has agreed to pay indemnity to the girl who was wounded by a shot fired by one of the Ameri-

G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT
IN HARTFORD APRIL 14-15
Hartford, April 3.—The state encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic

will be held in this city April 19 and 20, according to orders issued today by Randolph Q. Williamson, commander of the Connecticut Department of the G. A. R.